On motion of **M.,** seconded by **M.,** the following resolution was offered:

# RESOLUTION NO.

A resolution approving a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Parish of Jefferson and Gretna Economic Development Association, Jefferson Facilities, Inc. and Jefferson Redevelopment, Inc. to allow use of Lot “C”, Lot “D” and the Jefferson Parish Parking Garage during the 2018 Gretna Heritage Festival. (Council District 1)

**WHEREAS,** Art. VII, Sec. 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that for a public purpose, the State and its political subdivisions may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private organization, corporation or individuals; and

**WHEREAS,** the Parish is authorized by Article 1, Section 1 of the Louisiana Constitution to enter into this Agreement to promote the happiness and general welfare of the people; and

**WHEREAS,** the PARISH is authorized by Section 1.01(15) of the Jefferson Parish Charter to enter into this Agreement for the development and administration of recreational and cultural programs; and

**WHEREAS,** the public purpose of the Project is described as: to sponsor a three-day Heritage Festival open to all citizens of Jefferson Parish that will include live music, food vendors, and amusement rides, to provide cultural enrichment, increased tourism, and economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, the PARISH has a reasonable expectation of receiving the three-day Heritage Festival, on September 28 –30, 2018, that will provide enhanced recreational events for the public and increased tourism for the PARISH, which is at least equivalent to the use of Parish property provided for in this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the transfer or expenditure of public funds or property is not a gratuitous donation; and

**WHEREAS,** the citizens of Jefferson Parish will benefit from the efforts of these parties working together.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Jefferson Parish Council, the governing authority of said Parish:

**SECTION 1.** That the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Parish of Jefferson and Gretna Economic Development Association, Jefferson Facilities, Inc. and Jefferson Redevelopment, Inc. to allow use of Lot “C”, Lot “D” and the Jefferson Parish Parking Garage during the 2018 Gretna Heritage Festival, is hereby approved.

**SECTION 2.** That there are no direct costs associated with this Agreement.

**SECTION 3.** That the Chairwoman of the Jefferson Parish Council, or in her absence the Vice-Chairman, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: NAYS: ABSENT:**

The resolution was declared to be adopted on this the **25th day of April, 2018.**